

# The Living Stones

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Livingston Gem and Mineral Society

July 2019

*Hosting the 2020 Midwest Federation Convention*

## President's Message

We had beautiful weather for our June Picnic at Settlers Park. Bryant and Jim Hansen brought a great assortment of Michigan rocks with identification. Paul Bayoff gave an excellent presentation about Lake Superior agates, and brought some marvelous samples to examine.

Our next picnic will be held on July 16th, in the LGMS workshop. It starts at 6pm. After eating, I thought it would be fun to have a rock swap where members can bring rocks and jewelry to sell or trade. We may have to use the hallway in order to have enough space.

I'd like to thank Mark Ridenour, Jim Hansen, and Bill Magee for helping to order new parts, and install them on the big 20" saw. A new saw base, for the middle trim saw, is currently on backorder.

I'm so happy it is finally feeling like summer and we are getting warm sunshine. Please remember to wear closed-toed shoes in the workshop for safety reasons.

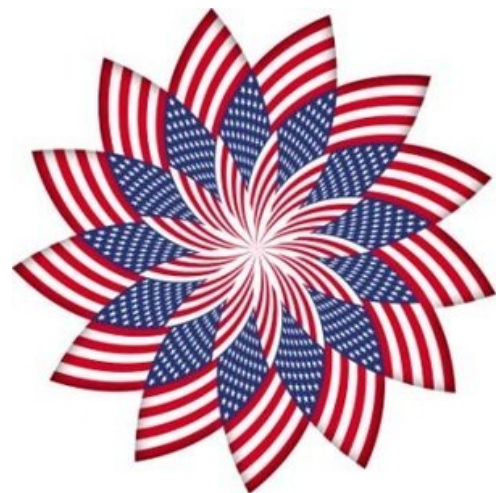
Since kids are out of school you might enjoy bringing a little friend or relative to the shop. I'd like to reprint here Section III about the Membership, Part d) 4) from the bylaws..

"Members ages 9 through their 17th year must be supervised by a parent, guardian, or someone older than 21, (any exception must be approved by a vote of the board), designated by the parent or guardian, that is familiar with the use of the equipment.

The supervising person mentioned above must be able to come to the immediate aid of the youth being supervised and stay beside that youth at a distance that permits uninterrupted, unaided, visual and verbal contact. Supervisor must turn on and off machines for children ages 9 thru their 12th year. Youth ages 13 through their 17th year may have a board member or experienced long term member observe their competencies on various machines. Once they are deemed competent a card will be issued."

I am looking forward to the next "Rock of the Month" meeting. I plan to make several obsidian cabochons to bring. I'd love to see you there.

*Cinda Dawson*, President



## LGMS Board Meeting June 18, 2019

1. **Call to Order** – 3:04 pm; Motion to approve minutes by AnnMarie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed Oller with unanimous vote to approve minutes with no changes.

a. **In Attendance:** a total of 9 members including board members.

2. **Treasurer's Report** – Current accounts are in good standing.

3. **Shop Updates** – Big saw – waiting for parts.

4. **Show Updates** –

a. We have 18-19 Vendors for 2019 which is up from 16.

b. Bill Magee doing layout plan.

c. Tickets to be ordered without date – can order bulk and can be utilized in the future.

5. **New T-Shirts** - Janelle working on T-Shirts; will want them in mid to late July

6. **LGMS Souvenirs for 2020 Federation Show** - Lori I. researching (black light pen, Fine point marker, Pens, Lanyards, Loop, Magnifying Glass, Hats, Miner).

7. **Postcards – are printed and need distribution** – Ideas: Libraries, Art Shows, Rock Shows – Ed taking postcards to the Bedford Show. - Will really push distribution in August.

8. **Updated Membership Application** – Isla completed application for review and approval.

9. **Other Unfinished Business.**

10. **Order New trim Saw** with a backup quote given.

11. Township **Permit** for Show needed? We are within the building and have never needed one before.

12. **Surveillance for 2019 Show - Security printed on the back of several of our T-Shirts** along with plain clothed Members walking around observing.

13. **Buy Tony West's Inventory for Club Table** - Motion to approve consideration of purchasing Tony's collection. Motioned by Lori, 2<sup>nd</sup> by AnnMarie with unanimous vote carried motion.

14. **Organize Storage Locker** - Looking for volunteer members to organize Storage Locker – meet at storage locker on – **July 9, 2019 @ 9 am.**

15. **LGMS Display Case at MMS Show** – Will not be providing a display case at MMS at this time.

16. **Marketing Plan for 2019 Show** – Motion to approve \$600 total budget for 2019 marketing Plan motioned by AnnMarie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lori Irvin, Unanimous vote carried.

17. **Floor Plan for Show** – to be completed by Bill Magee.

18. **Determine number of Club Vendors selling at the show** – up to 5-6 members at this time.

19. **Other new Business** –

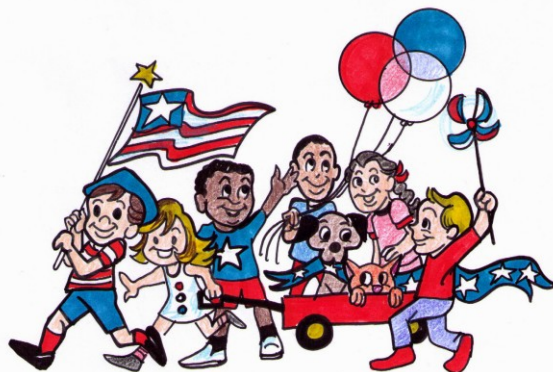
a. **NEED VOLUNTEER member to open the shop Tuesdays at 9 am for the months of July and August** – Please contact Cinda or AnnMarie ASAP.

b. **Cabs for sale in shop** with money being donated to 4H.

20. **Adjournment 4:02** – Motioned by Ann Marie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by LaVonne with unanimous vote taken which carried motion taken. Member meeting to follow at Settlers Park behind Meijer at M-59 with presentation by new member.

**21. Thank you Ed for donating all the items for the Member Meeting Frisbee Toss Giveaways!!!**

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Irvin, Secretary



## Workshop Hours

Monday: 10 am to 3 pm  
 Tuesday: 9 am to 9 pm  
 Wednesday: 10 am to 9 pm  
 Friday: 9 am to 2 pm

## SHOP CLOSING

The lapidary shop will be closed  
 from **July 1 through July 5**,  
 reopening on Monday, July 8  
 Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

## Rock of the Month Club

Wednesday, July 10, 2 pm  
 (second Wednesday of the month)

Jim Hansen and Bryant Hiiter will lead the  
 discussion on  
**OBSIDIAN**  
 Come to learn and share your specimens!

## SAFETY FIRST

**No sandals or flip flops in the shop**

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## Donations needed

3 and 5 gallon **buckets** with handles  
 to sell Favosite/Petoskey stones  
 at our show

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## Gayland's Rock and Mineral Sale

Saturday and Sunday, July 13 and 14  
 9 am – 5 pm each day  
 Slabs, uncut Brazil agates, Fordite,  
 specimens and lots more!  
 Gayland Allen  
 16143 1/2 Knobhill Drive  
 Linden, MI 48451

## 2019 Officers and Chairpersons

President: Cinda Dawson 810-423-0464  
 Vice President: AnnMarie McFadden, 248-884-8126  
 Secretary: Lori Irvin, 810-820-0494  
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 Bill Magee, 734-981-6117  
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 Jim Parker 517-548-0675  
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 Webmaster: John Myer  
 www.livingstongems.com or  
 www.livingstongemandmineralsociety.com  
 General Membership Meetings are held  
 monthly  
 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 6 pm (Except in January  
 and February when board meetings are held in  
 the shop.)



“LGMS Rocks for Members Only”  
 group page

## A NOTE FROM SHERLYNN EVERLY

Hi Everybody!

Sorry I haven't been in the shop much but, you know what happens in the summer. So many things to do – visiting and hosting friends and family, gardening, home repairs, e-biking, golfing, kayaking ... I do keep in touch and wanted to share a couple of things:

Rockhound's Dream Show 2019 - September 21 and 22. Janelle, Cinda, Anne Marie and I collaborated on getting a new design and twice as many promotional postcards as last year. Please take a handful and pass them out to folks in your circle; leave one at the local library; pin one up in the laundromat – help us get the word out. Also, when we post show info on the Club Facebook page, please Like and Share – many, many times!

In mid-May I attended a week-long knotting class at the William Holland School of Lapidary Arts in northern Georgia. What a fun experience. Dave and Sharon Worden have been there, and their recommendation was spot on. The school was founded in the early 90's by members of the Southeastern Federation of Mineralogical and Gemological Societies, and my teacher – Dot Kasper – and her husband were founding members. It's a wonderful place to learn all kinds of arts in a beautiful setting with many interesting and creative people. I brought a catalog of classes to the shop if anyone is interested.

I hope to see you all at the next General Meeting!

Sherlynn Everly, Past President



## Upcoming Events

**August 5-8, 2019**

**Keweenaw Peninsula, Keweenaw Wee Field Trips**

10 am – 4 pm daily

Info: Norm Gruber (906) 228-6764, [ngruber@charter.net](mailto:ngruber@charter.net), [www.ccrmc.info](http://www.ccrmc.info)

**August 9-11, 2019**

**Midwest Faceters Guild Faceting Seminar**

Tallmadge Township Hall, 0-1451 Leonard St, Grand Rapids, MI

Info: Barb Yost (616) 254-9777, [midwestfaceters@gmail.com](mailto:midwestfaceters@gmail.com)

**August 9-11, 2019**

**UP Michigan, Copper Country Rock and Mineral Club Annual Show and Silent Auction**

Contact: Norm Gruber, (906) 228-6764; [ngruber@charter.net](mailto:ngruber@charter.net), [www.ccrmc.info](http://www.ccrmc.info)

**August 10, 2019**

**Flint Rock and Gem Club Rock Swap**

11350 N. Saginaw Rd, Clio, MI

Info: Bill Wendling (810) 638-5796, [bwrockbarn@centurytel.net](mailto:bwrockbarn@centurytel.net), [www.flintrockandgem.org](http://www.flintrockandgem.org)

**September 6-8, 2019**

**Toledo Gem and Rockhound Club Annual Show**

Stranahan Theater Complex, 4645 Heatherdowns Blvd, Toledo, OH

Info: Stephen Shimatzki (567) 868-8794, [sjs132@gmail.com](mailto:sjs132@gmail.com), [www.rockyreader.com](http://www.rockyreader.com)

**September 13-15, 2019**

**Tulip City Gem and Mineral Club Annual Show**

The Soccer Stop, 5 River Hills, Dr., Holland, MI

Info: Sue Goedert, [sonbeams2000@yahoo.com](mailto:sonbeams2000@yahoo.com), [www.tulipcity.org](http://www.tulipcity.org)

**September 14, 2019**

**Rock River Valley Gem and Mineral Society Rock Swap**

6219 Forest Hills Rd., Rockford, IL

Info: Duane Cushing (815) 218-5011, [tc78@comcast.net](mailto:tc78@comcast.net). FLYER

**SEPTEMBER 21 AND 22, 2019**

**OUR VERY OWN LIVINGSTON GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL SHOW!!  
VOLUNTEER! ENJOY! PARTICIPATE!**

***Our Mission***

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*Potluck "Picnic" in the workshop followed by a  
Rock Swap*

*Tuesday, July 16, 2019, 6 pm*

*bring your rocks and jewelry to sell or trade*

*Board will meet from 4 pm to 5 pm. Tuesday, July 16, 2019*

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